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Chu et al.

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For: SYSTEMS, METHODS AND DEVICES  
RELATING TO DELIVERY OF MEDICAL  
IMPLANTS

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Examiner: M. K. Ryckman

**AFTER FINAL REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Madam:

In response to the Office Action dated January 29, 2009, reconsideration and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested in light of the remarks that follow. The time period for response has been extended to May 29, 2009, by the accompanying petition for a one-month extension of time.

**Remarks** begin on page 2 of this paper.